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House Resolution 569

By: Representatives Butler of the 18th, Nix of the 69th, and Bearden of the 68th

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Commending the State University of West Georgia Cheerleading Teams; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, in 2002 and 2003, the West Georgia Braves' cheer program rose to national
- 4 prominence, winning back-to-back UCA Division II National Championships, and as they
- 5 prepared for the 2007 nationals, many wondered if the university's program could match its
- 6 past accomplishments; and
- 7 WHEREAS, at the 2007 nationals, West Georgia not only equaled its previous successes, but
- 8 the Braves' program exceeded all expectations by bringing home two national titles and
- 9 establishing itself as a national powerhouse to be reckoned with; and
- 10 WHEREAS, under the direction of head coach Sherry Cooney and assistant coach John
- Morgan, the coed cheer squad established its reputation and place as a national dynasty by
- 12 winning its sixth straight UCA Division II Championship as the Braves' squad out-hustled
- and outshone an impressive crop of competitors in the competition finals; and
- 14 WHEREAS, West Georgia's championship in the coed competition was not its first title of
- 15 the weekend, as a gifted young West Georgia all-girls team won its third national title in the
- 16 event; and
- 17 WHEREAS, coed squad team members are Candice Abney, Cory Brown, Eric Deal, Gennah
- 18 Duclo, Gennal Duclo, David Forrest, Michael Kirby, Tommy Lane, Sarah Masters, Ryan
- 19 McKinnon, Amber Melear, Brittany Moss, Brian Nichols, Sarah Roberts, Stephanie Shouse,
- and John Tuggle; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the all-girls squad consists of Erica Baldwin, Ciara Carter, Lindsay Evanson,
- 22 Ashley Hardin, Hollis Johnson, Megan Johnson, Dana Jones, Mallory Jones, Amy Phillips,
- 23 Kristi Phillips, Peggy "Amanda" Reeves, Megan Sparks, Samantha Stevenson, Ashley Stone,
- 24 Kristin Urquhart, Nicollette Williams, Amy Wood, and Ashley Zimmerman, and all
- 25 members of each team displayed a level of competitive spirit that has rarely been equaled.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body commend the State University of West Georgia Cheerleading
- 3 Teams on their dominating win of the Division II All-Girl Cheerleading Competition and
- 4 Coed Cheerleading Competition.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the State University of West
- 7 Georgia cheerleading teams and their coaches.